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BIG STONE GAP, VA.

Big Stone Gap Post.

THURSDAY, AUG. 30, 1900.

### LOCAL ITEMS.

The drug store soda fountain is in

the middle and Testament man in-

duced our people last week.

Ed. Kelly is right sick over at

his place Sunday.

Wesley, the popular sales-

man in town Saturday.

Best counter lunches in the

at Col. J. R. Adams.

Ed. Irvine went up to Wise Sat-

urday.

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## LATEST NOVELTIES.

A good Summer and early Fall Hat. We have just received a nice line in Ladies and Misses Soft Crushers. The new colors Royal, Cardinal, Pearl and Castor. Call and see them.

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Thanking you for your kind patronage,

Yours truly,  
J. M. WILLIS & CO.

Dr. J. W. Kelly entertained Supt. C. P. Dent, young Mr. Dent, Geo. M. Akers and Mr. Birch, all of Harvey, at dinner Sunday.

Keep your eye on the Local Column this summer for the latest news about the best soft drinks in town at the Drug Store.

H. J. Ayers, W. C. Robinson, S. W. Wax, B. F. Kilbourn, S. V. F. Richmond and a number of others went up to Wise Monday to attend the speaking.

Root beer 5 cents a bottle at Col. Adams'. Delivered to families at 50 cents per dozen, bottles to be returned.

### Gone to Stonega.

Mr. James Body has moved his family to Stonega where he formerly resided. We are very sorry to lose Mr. Body and his estimable family, especially Miss Susie, who is very popular among the young people.

### A Big Stone Gapian to Wed.

Invitations are out announcing the marriage on September the fifth, at Christ Church, Charlottesville, Va., of Mr. William Tavernor Goodloe, a prominent merchant of this place, to Miss Carrie Buck Hill, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Gabriel Holmes Hill, of Charlottesville.

Everybody invited to call at the Red front junction Wood Ave. and East Fifth St. A full line canned meats. Fresh fish every Tuesday and Friday.

### Lost His Banjo.

Orlando Amburgey sold a man a \$3.00 banjo and carelessly let the man get away with a \$10.00 one instead last Friday morning. Orlando hired a horse and went towards Jasper after the fellow, but at last accounts, the man, likewise the banjo, were still missing.

### Judge Rhea in Town.

Judge Wm. F. Rhea, the democratic nominee for Congress of the ninth congressional district, spent Sunday night in the Gap en route to Wise, where he spoke Monday. A number of Big Stone Gap democrats accompanied their leader up to the county seat Monday morning.

### Band Serenades.

The band serenaded the townspeople free of charge Friday night until a late hour.

Numerous choice selections were played and greatly enjoyed by all. Mr. Pike, the leader of the band, has the boys in excellent training as the people in other towns besides the Gap are beginning to discover.

### Master Mechanic.

Robert Brownell, a master mechanic of Ridgeway, Pa., has joined the U. S. Leather Co.'s forces at this place. Mr. Brownell has been in the employ of this company for a number of years.

### Working Night and Day

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Russell College this year will again have Miss Rosa E. Routh at the head of the musical department. Miss Routh who has won an enviable fame as a musician, is now at the New England Conservatory of Music, in Boston, and will return to assume her duties even better than ever prepared for giving instruction.—*Lebanon Outlook.*

Miss Routh is well known in the Gap where she frequently visits.

Axley Gilmer will teach the school in the lower end of town again this year. This school will be under the direction of the principal of the Big Stone Gap Schools, and will have the same course and will begin with the other schools next Monday.

### School. School.

I will be at the school building from 9 a. m. to 12 m., on Friday, August 31st, and Saturday at the same hour, to examine pupils and to consult with pupils or patrons in reference to the school work.

On Saturday at 2:30 p. m. I will meet the teachers at the school building. Teachers who may be in the town are invited to be at the building at any time while I am there.

Respectfully,  
R. H. Sheppe.

### Mines Closed Down.

G. M. Akers, book-keeper and store manager for the Virginia Iron, Coal and Coke Co. at Harvey was in town Saturday.

The mines at Harvey closed down last week. It is not known yet whether the close-down is temporary or final. Work has been stopped at any rate both there and at the Iron-dale mines.

### Notice.

As members of the County Executive Committee, we hereby call a meeting of the Democrats of Richmond magisterial district to meet in the Town Hall in Big Stone Gap on Saturday night, September 1st, 1900, for the purpose of organizing a Bryan, Stevenson and Rhea Club.

Let the Democrats rally to our standard bearers.

The Big Stone Gap Band will be present and furnish music for the occasion. W. H. Hostos, Ch'm. C. F. BLANTON, C. C. BROOKS.

### Trip to Natural Tunnel.

Thursday morning a party of young people accompanied by an enormous hamper of lunch and plenty of candles went over on the V. & S. W. to spend the day at Natural Tunnel.

Fortunately, it did not rain and the party enjoyed themselves immensely.

The following young people formed the party with Mrs. Hodge as chaperone. Misses Elizabeth and Nona Fox and Messrs. J. M. Evan and Thatcher Hodge, Leonard Carden and Tav. Goodloe.

### The Big Stone Gap Band.

The Big Stone Gap Band furnished music for the occasion of the speaking on Saturday, and when they arrived on the 11:20 train, formed at the depot and marched up town playing. The boys looked neat in their snow white uniforms and their bright polished instruments glittered in the sunshine. They were received with enthusiasm, and were the observed of all observers, and many of our fair ones quite lost their hearts. The boys are warm in their praise of our town and expressed a wish of many returns to which we could only say "Amen." The Gap should be proud of her band.—*Gate City Messenger.*

### Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The promoters of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over a million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on Dr. J. W. Kelly, Druggist, and get a free trial bottle. Regular size 50c. and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

### Have We Any Hotels?

In a crowded dummy one morning last week a stranger to Big Stone Gap asked if there were any hotels in this place.

"No," answered a little dark drummer decidedly. He evidently had had experience with Big Stone Gap.

Just then the Intermont and Duff House porters sang out together the cries of their respective houses. The stranger waited until the dummy started on.

"They don't seem to agree with you," he remarked to the man who had spoken.

"Oh!" said the other one dryly, "there are hotels here, but they are run for revenue only—emphatically only."

And the other occupants of the car looked at each other and were silent.

### "Delays are Dangerous."

A small pimple on your face may seem of little consequence, but it shows your blood is impure, and impure blood is what causes most of the diseases from which people suffer. Better heed the warning given by the pimple and purify your blood at once by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. This medicine cures all diseases due to bad blood, including scrofula and salt rheum.

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### To the Amateur Poets, &c.

Some of these days when the Post is about the size of the *Atlanta Constitution*, for instance, we are going to devote a page to the people in and around Big Stone Gap—mostly young people—who think they can write poetry. Then, we intend to devote another page or two to the coming novelists. There are not so many of these, for there's several minor points, like grammar and rhetoric, to be considered, and the young poet's soul loathes "all such." "Why don't you know," said one of these budding geniuses, in a sort of "you-ain't-in-it-and-I'm-sorry-for-you" style, "it aint no trouble for me to write poetry, I just can't help it!" Poor, long-suffering, poetic muse! The writer once wrote some poetry.

It was all about the joyful lapping of the water on the sand, and the song of birds, and the green stillness of a little grave, which the writer thought was all new and delightfully original, and the local editor would die of envy because he couldn't write divine poetry like that. But the local editor only sent word that he didn't want any more such stuff sent to his paper, and the writer thought that editor was an awful brute.

It is probable that you have a spark of the divine fire in your composition somewhere, but don't air your first effort before your friends and because they praise it, think you are a second Milton—send it to the editor. He's no poet nor don't pretend to be, but he can tell you in five minutes whether you are one or not.

You needn't be afraid of him—you people in Mr. Sheppe's room and out of it that have been trying to write poetry for a year or two—he's a very good sort of fellow, and he is apt to give you more encouragement than you deserve, anyway.

Send us those poems and stories we've been hearing about and we'll give you as near justice as you'll ever get in this world.

### SCHOOL.

To the Girls and Boys of Big Stone Gap.

Dear girls and boys: Next Monday morning at half past eight the school bell will ring and at nine school will begin. I hope to see everyone of you then with bright, rosy faces, a quick, strong step, and glad hearts. We have had a long, pleasant vacation, and I believe you are all ready to begin school again, and that you will do better work than you have ever done before and that advance in your studies more easily and rapidly than ever before.

We must all enter school determined to do our best, no matter what happens. Let us forget our past failures, except to profit by them, and our past successes, except for beginning points for greater successes in the future. Let us during this, the last year in the old school building, prepare ourselves for school in the large, new building that is soon to be erected. Let every one study so well this year that when he enters the new building he will be proud of himself, proud of his teachers, proud to enter the fine, modern building.

On Monday let nothing keep you away from school. It is so important that you be present all the time. If you have no books, come any way; if you have no lessons prepared, come any way; and if you have work at home, persuade your parents to let you come. It is so important that you get and education. This is your time of preparation for usefulness in life.

Do not buy any new books until you get an order from me or from your teacher. There is danger of your making a mistake.

During the summer I have been thinking a great deal about you and the books you should use. I have been reading on the subject, and have talked with other good teachers on the subject, and shall give you the advantage of my best judgment in the matter, and I trust that you will enter enthusiastically into the work I have planned for you. Come to school with a willing, teachable, mind and try to enter into the work with earnestness. Do not let yourself say, "Oh, I don't like" this or that study; "I never could get along in it." Remember that confidence in yourself is half the battle. Believe you can do it, and then work hard and you will succeed.

Now, my letter is growing so long that I must stop.

Remember that I am very anxious that you should come to school and do well, and that I am ready and willing to do all in my power to help you.

With great expectations for you, I am  
Your friend,  
R. H. Sheppe.

### FROM STONEGA.

Correspondence of The Big Stone Gap Post.

STONEGA, Aug. 29.—People are now taking the stump who never took anything before.

August's backbone is getting feeble—but the mercury still hangs around par.

Jas. Body and family have moved back to Stonega.

Otis Mouser has gone to accompany his wife and boy home from a visit to her parents.

Rev. R. G. Matheson, of Gate City, preached here on last Sunday morning in the church and conducted an open air service in the afternoon at the upper end of town. Rev. J. Cook, accompanied by Rev. G. Smith, of Cincinnati, began a series of special services on Sunday evening to be continued during the week.

H. D. Liver, the construction electrician, left for his home in Ashland, Pa., on Monday morning.

Prof. H. D. Hightlett, the principal of the Stonega School, has addressed a circular to the parents and patrons of the school and if they co-operate with him on the line he suggests, the result will be a number of bright girls and boys at the end of the term. He is giving instruction to young men and women in the higher scientific branches.

The L. & N. ran an excursion here last Sunday which did not arrive till 2 o'clock in the afternoon owing to a disturbance which occurred en route from Middleboro, and one man was shot seriously.

There will be preaching at the Episcopal church next Sunday at 8:30 p. m. by Rev. T. S. Russell, of Bristol.

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## WISE DEPARTMENT.

CHAS. T. KILGORE, Editor.

Local and Otherwise.

County Court is in session this week. Circuit Court will convene on next Monday.

R. T. Irvine and Alex Anderson are in town this week.

J. A. Hughes, of Coeburn, is attending court. Mr. Hughes had the misfortune to lose one of his children this week.

Hon. W. F. Rhea, the Democratic nominee for congress from the ninth district spoke at this place Monday. There was a large crowd present to hear the speaking. Gen. Walker, his opponent will be here next court to address the voters, and the people of Wise county will have an opportunity to hear both sides of the question discussed.

Hon. H. C. McComb was up from the Gap Tuesday.

Dr. H. M. Miles, assisted by Dr. J. M. Hill, performed a delicate operation on the eye of a colored woman Sunday. They removed a cataract from the right eye, and at this writing the woman is able to see. They will perform a similar operation on the left eye in a few days, which will no doubt entirely restore her sight. Dr. Miles has recently purchased a complete set of surgical instruments and is prepared to treat all diseases of the throat, ears, eyes, and all other diseases that the flesh is heir to.

Aunt Matilda Kilgore, who has been suffering for several months, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. E. Powers, on last Friday morning at 2 o'clock, and was buried in the city cemetery in the evening at 6 o'clock. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Kilgore and Thornton. There was a large crowd of friends and relatives present to witness the interment.

We understand that a large spoke and hub factory is to be located near this place on the old Rockwell Railroad in a short time. Local capital is being the enterprise, and we wish it all possible success.

The annual association of the Anti-Missionary Baptist church was held at Tasso on last Saturday and Sunday. We hear that whiskey, pistols and cross-words were very much in evidence at the meeting and the High Sheriff of Wise County was knocked down and his eye very much put into deep mourning, and verily there was one more hot time. Just such "hot times" as this have kept Wise county on the border of semi-civilization for more than a half-century, and so long as they continue we cannot expect any better treatment. We are not prepared to say what the court will do with the matter, but if she does her duty, the Wise county jail will be full of toughs for the next six months, and if she does not we will reserve space for the next few issues of this paper for murder, rape and robbery notices, or perhaps a lynching line will buzz about the ears of those who winked the other eye at these transgressions of the law.

W. M. Cecil and family spent the Sabbath at Coeburn visiting relatives.

Tom G. Alderson, of Bristol, spent several days in the city last week.

Mrs. T. M. Cherry and her children, of Clinchport, are visiting the former's parents in this city this week.

Judge Alderson, of Bristol, is in town on business.

E. M. Fulton and O. M. Vickers returned from Clinchport Friday.

J. B. F. Witt is up from the Gap this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kilgore have gone to house-keeping on Spring Street. We wish them much happiness in their new venture.

M. D. Carter, of Norton, was in town Tuesday.

### Hay Ride.

A party of Wise young people bent on having a good time met at Mrs. A. M. Vickers one night last week and proceeded out to Paradise in two wagons with Messdames Maclary and Beriton as chaperones. On the way a stop was made in an orchard for a supply of apples and later at Mrs. Parson's spring for a cool drink. Games were played and songs were sung and the party returned to Wise in the "wee sma' hours" in high spirits, declaring a jollier time was never enjoyed by a lot of young people out for a lark.

Those composing the party were Messsies Lou May, Gertrude Flannery, Ethel Fulton, Bert Kelly, Sue Wells, Emma Flannery, Laura Boyd and Mrs. Jim Dutton, Edens, Frank Richmond, Roy Lipp, Rolt, Flannery, Doc Kilgore, Ed. Fulton, Tiller, and Ritchie, of Tazewell.

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